

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO GRAIN PURCHASERS

CHANGED RATE FOR GRAIN GROWER DEDUCTIONS

Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Grain Industry Fund) Regulations 2012

This notice is to inform you that the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development has provided Notice in the Government Gazette (#41, page 2180 dated 10 June 2021) changing the rate for grain grower contributions payable under the above regulation. The new rate for grower contributions will continue to be remitted monthly to the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) as agent for the Minister.

The new rate for deductions of \$0.31 per tonne for the Grain Industry Fund will apply for all South Australian grain purchased on or after 1 July 2021 from a grain grower.

Note: There is no change to the rate of deduction for the Grain Research and Development Fund.

Updated Prescribed Rates for Deductions

Regulations	2021-2022 Contribution Rates
Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Grain Industry Fund) Regulations 2012	31 cents per tonne for all grain sales on or after 1 July 2021
Primary Industry Funding Schemes (Grain Research and Development Fund) Regulations 2013	Unchanged 30 cents per tonne for grain sales since the commencement of this funding scheme on 8 August 2013

The Annual Notice for rates of contribution and related additional important information will be provided in September 2021 and will serve as a reminder of the new deduction rate for the Grain Industry Fund for the coming grain harvest.

For further information, contact Dave Lewis, PIRSA Agriculture, Food and Wine.

The PIRSA website has all required updated information and forms: <u>http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/primary_industry/crops_and_pastures/grain_industry_funds</u>.

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Further Information

Grain Definition: Includes cereal and coarse grains (for example wheat, barley, triticale, oats, rye), pulses (for example field peas, lupins, lentils, beans, chickpeas) and oilseeds (for example canola, safflower seed, linseed, sunflower seed, rapeseed).

Refunds: A grain grower can request that their contributions be refunded. To claim a refund a grain grower must write to the Minister at the address on the PIRSA website, enclosing evidence (purchaser statements) that the contribution has been collected. The grain grower must make the refund claim within 12 months following the financial year in which the contributions have been paid.

Grower refund requests cannot be paid until validated against the remittance statement provided by the grain purchaser.

PIRSA will follow up with companies not meeting the requirements to remit deductions monthly or not providing grower details in accordance with the regulations.

Regulations require grain purchasers pay the grain grower contributions to PIRSA on a monthly basis falling due on the 28th day of the following month.

Quarterly or annual payments may only be made with prior written approval. Further information on applying to make quarterly or annual remittances and eligibility guidelines are on PIRSA website at the link below.

Check for Current Remittance Forms, Statements and Funding Scheme Updates on the PIRSA Website Grain Industry Fund Webpage.

Information on these funding schemes is on the PIRSA website at:

http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/primary industry/crops and pastures/grain industry funds